## City of Wylie Public Information Office

## **NEWS ITEM**

## **Wylie's Smith Library Receives Honor**

**Wylie, Texas, Feb. 27, 2018** – Wylie's Smith Public Library has been awarded the 2017 Achievement of Excellence in Libraries Award from the Texas Municipal Library Directors Association.

To qualify for the honor, libraries met a wide range of criteria, including providing service to underserved populations, providing cultural, topical, and educational programming for adults and families, providing literacy support for all ages, holding a summer reading club, supporting workforce development and offering a variety of services online, among many others.

The library is part of the Wylie Municipal Complex, located at 300 Country Club Rd. in Wylie. More about its many programs is online at WylieTexas.gov/library.

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About Wylie – Incorporated in 1887, the City of Wylie is located just 24 miles from downtown Dallas in Collin, Dallas and Rockwall counties. Possessing an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, an ISO #1 rating and an expanding business climate, Wylie (population almost 50,000) is one of the fastest-growing communities in the state of Texas with a 220-percent increase since 2000. MONEY Magazine named Wylie the 20<sup>th</sup> Best Place to Live in the Country in 2017 and 25<sup>th</sup> in 2015. Financial website NerdWallet named Wylie the Best Small City for Young Families in August 2016. Realtor.com named Wylie the second hottest suburb in the country in February 2017. SafeWise named Wylie the ninth safest city in Texas in 2017.